

<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	09/625,006	HERZBERG ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
	Kambiz Abdi	3621	

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to July 25, 2005 BPAI decision.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6, 9, and 11-20 (Renumbered 1-17).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)            |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)                                | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),<br>Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),<br>Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment                               |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit<br>of Biological Material          | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance   |
|   | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.   |

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### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. The prior office actions are incorporated herein by reference. In particular, the observations with respect to claim language, and response to previously presented arguments. This communication is in furtherance of the decision rendered by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 25, 2005.

- Claims 1, 4, 15, 24, 27, 30, and 33 were amended.
- Claims 1-6, 9, 11-20, and 23-35 are allowed as per the July 25, 2005 decision rendered by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

3. The closest prior art of record is U.S. Patent No. 5,991,740 to Stephen Dale Messer and U.S. Patent No. 6,157,917 to Timothy P. Barber.

4. As the rendering of the decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 25, 2005 clearly states, as per claim 1, being a representative of the claims, the closest prior art of record Messer in combination with Barber fail to specifically disclose or fairly suggest "*the use of a plurality of different aliases to represent the same network address*" (p. 6). As per Board decision, the prior art of record failed to specifically teach the element/step of independent claims 1, 15, 24, 27, 30, and 33, namely "use of a plurality of different aliases to represent the same network address."

5. Claims 2-6, 9, 11-14 are dependent on claim 1, claims 16-20, and 23 are dependent on claim 15, 25-26 are dependent on claim 24, claims 28-29 are dependent on claim 27, claims 31-32 are dependent on claim 30, claims 34-35 are dependent on claim 33 and thus have all the limitations of the correspondent claims and allowable for the reason stated above.

6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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**Conclusion**

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Kambiz Abdi** whose telephone number is **(571) 272-6702**. The Examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 9:30am-5:00pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, **James Trammell** can be reached at **(571) 272-6712**.

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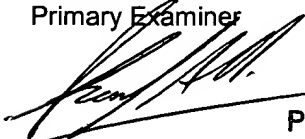
**(571) 273-8300** [Official communications; including After Final communications labeled "Box AF"]

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Hand delivered responses should be brought to the Examiner in the

**Knox Building, 50 Dulany St. Alexandria, VA.**

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**May 24, 2006**